

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of :  
Roland ALMERAS et al. : Confirmation No. 1059  
Serial No. 10/597,377 : Group Art Unit: 3723  
Filed: June 27, 2008 : Examiner: Nathaniel C. CHUKWURAH  
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For: INDIRECT FIRE DEVICE FOR FIXING FASTENERS IN A SUBSTRATE MATERIAL

**AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are submitted in response to the Official Action dated December 24, 2009.